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**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL**

MAIL STOP RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,
provides for continued examination of an utility or
plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995

Application Number	09/987,361
Confirmation Number	6936
Filing Date	November 14, 2001
First Named Inventor	Sadato AKAHORI
Group Art Unit	2623
Examiner Name	Ashutosh Upreti
Matter Number	Q67246
Title	MEDICAL IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD AND APPARATUS

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. Previously submitted
- i. Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
September 30, 2005 and the substitute Amendment Under 1.116 filed on
previously filed on October 17, 2005
- ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. Other _____
- b. Enclosed
- i. Amendment/Reply
- ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. Petition for Extension of Time
- v. Other _____

2. MISCELLANEOUS

- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ Months
- b. Other _____

3. FEES

A check for the RCE statutory fee of \$790.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

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Direct all correspondence to the address for SUGHRUE MION, PLLC filed under the Customer Number listed below: 790.00 UP

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CUSTOMER NUMBER

SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY

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Signature Alan J. Kasper Date October 31, 2005